Sir:

21/1

Patent Attorney's Docket No. <u>010830-117</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Krzysztof MASTERNAK et al.)
Application No.: Continuation of PCT/EP99/08026) Group Art Unit: Unassigned)
Filing Date: April 24, 2001) Examiner: Unassigned
For: NEW TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR OF MHC CLASS II GENES, SUB- STANCES CAPABLE OF INHIBITING THIS NEW TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR AND MEDICAL USES OF THESE SUBSTANCES))))))))
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT	
Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 26 with the following:

b,

--The invention relates to a protein or a peptide capable of restoring the MHC II expression in cells from MHC II defiency patients in complementation group B and comprising all or part of the amino acid sequence shown in figure 2 (SEQ ID NO: 11).--